



**The Parishes of
Cleckheaton & Heckmondwike**
**Serving the Churches of Our Lady of
Unfailing Help & St. Paul of the Cross,
Cleckheaton
& The Holy Spirit, Heckmondwike.**



	The Church of Our Lady of Unfailing Help & St. Paul of the Cross	The Church of The Holy Spirit
Saturday 26/12	6.30 pm Special Intention (Daly)	4.30 pm John Henry (LD)
Sunday 27/12 <i>Feast of the Holy Family (B)</i>	11.30 am Birth Thanksgiving (ECC)	9.30 am People of the Parish
Monday 28/12 <i>Holy Innocents</i>	9.30 am Muriel Ellis (A)	No Mass
Tuesday 29/12 <i>St. Thomas Becket</i>	No Mass	9.45 am Speedy Recovery (RM) 4.00 pm <i>Recpt. Into Church of Bernard Talbot</i> <i>(Invited Congregation Only)</i>
Wednesday 30/12	10.15 am Sr. Teresa (LD)	1.30 pm <i>Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of Bernard Talbot</i> <i>(Invited Congregation Only)</i>
Thursday 31/12 <i>St. Sylvester</i>	10.15 am Mary Fitzpatrick (LD)	No Mass
Friday 01/01 <i>Mary, the Mother of God</i>	No Mass	12 noon Monica Mooney (A)
Saturday 02/01 <i>Ss. Basil & Gregory</i>	12 noon Dead List 2019 6.30 pm Mavis & Bill Henry	4.30 pm Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sunday 03/01 <i>2nd Sunday of Christmas (B)</i>	11.30 am People of the Parish	9.30 am Sr. Genevieve Moran IBVM (LD)

Important websites which are up-dated frequently: cbcew.org.uk holyspiritheckmondwike.co.uk
stpaulscleckheaton.wordpress.com dioceseofleeds.org.uk GOV.UK (Coronavirus (COVID-19))
Dial-A-Mass. A weekly Sunday Mass can be listened to at anytime on 01642—130120 (charged local rate)

We pray for those whom God has called back to Himself: Bernard Talbot, Brian Montgomery, Violet Beevers, Pat Broady (New Zealand) & Fr. Geoffrey Parfitt (Retired Priest of the Diocese of Leeds)
And those whose anniversaries occur at this time including: Monica Mooney & Monsignor Robert MacGregor
The sick and those caring for them; we recall especially: Susan Smith, Agnes Clark, Margaret Crowther, Billy Forde, Carole Morris, David Oldroyd, Katie Gallagher-Peel, John Byrne, Nellie Dipper, Roger Meehan, Nora Naughton, Michael McAuley, Patrick Hird & Baby Myles Wood
Please give any names of those with anniversaries occurring to Fr. Nicholas for inclusion on the Newsletter & Prayers of the Faithful a couple of weeks before the actual anniversary date. Thank you !

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Parish Safeguarding Representative: Mary Letham 01924—401579 (Diocesan Coordinator: 07515 598523)

The Feast of the Holy Family (B) Parish Mass Book Page: (Texts for Mass Page: 7ff.)
Weekend 26th / 27th December 2020 See the Universalis App on our websites for Sunday/Daily Readings

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions: *The Intentions of Parishioners (St. Paul's) & The Intentions of Parishioners (Holy Spirit):* If you would like a Sanctuary Lamp to be lit for an intention please write the name of the intention on an envelope (containing a payment of £3) & place it in the Collection Baskets when you come to Mass or through either [Presbytery Letterbox](#). Thank you.

Divine Office Psalter: Week 1 **Mass Intentions Received:** Monica Mooney (A), Joe Preston (LD), Alan Child (LD), Muriel Ellis (A), Catherine Blackburn, Eddie Brady (LD), Anne Shyne & Mary Hogg (A) (Dead List Masses have also been received)

Streamed Daily & Sunday Masses from Leeds Cathedral. Each **Weekday at 12.30 am** & each **Sunday at 11.00 am**

Holy Mass is available on: www.leedscathedrallive.org.uk or <https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/cathedral>

Holy Mass from Our Lady's Shrine at Walsingham can be watched live (12 noon each day) or viewed later on <https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream>

The Re-opening of our Churches. Covid-19 remains a real threat to us all & we have a collective responsibility to care for ourselves & one another. Sadly the virus has claimed the lives of parishioners, left others gravely ill & has been contracted by others in varying strengths. We must remain vigilant & this involves us all. Therefore some changes have been made in regard to the precautions that we have in place to ensure parishioners can gather in our Covid-safe churches. These affect ALL Masses & **ALL PARISHIONERS** are asked to respect them for everyone's own well-being:-

(a) The Church Porch is where Parishioners are asked for their name / phone number etc. Only ONE household is able to stand in the Church Porch at a time. Everyone else must queue (at a social distance of 2 meters) outside.

(b) Hand-Sanitisation must be done by everyone entering our churches.

(c) Parishioners are asked to sit where directed by our volunteer Stewards. (At St. Paul's this will also include the use of the chairs at the far end of pews).

(d) For weekend Masses: ALL parishioners are expected to be **seated in church by 25 minutes past the hour** i.e. 5 minutes before Mass begins in order for everyone to spiritually prepare for Mass (including Stewards & Fr. Nicholas). Booked seats **WILL NOT** be reserved beyond 20 minutes past the hour.

Christmas. (a) A very sincere word of thanks to those parishioners who in a variety of different ways, & in socially distant conditions, have worked so hard to prepare our churches for Christmas. Thanks too are extended to Henry for the gift of musical accompaniment & to our Ministers of the Word & Stewards for the sharing of their talents & time.

Spiritual Communion. If you remain unable to attend Mass in person please join us when a Mass is being celebrated through a time of prayer at home & benefit from Spiritual Communion by offering the Prayer of St. Alphonsus: *My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.* **Dead List 2020.** The Parish Dead List will close THIS Friday 1st January.

Carols On-line. "Chordiality" have recorded a special on-line broadcast of Carols for you to enjoy at home. It is available on their website: www.chordiality.com or at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IVhogKY_020

Welcome into God's Family, the Church, Lucas James Ayre, who was baptised at St. Paul's Church last Saturday.

Card Delivery. Thanks to the recent delivery of cards in Heckmondwike £100 has been raised for Parish Funds.

Diocesan Directories 2021. The new Directory is now available (£4). Please ask Fr. Nicholas if you would like a copy.

Funerals. The number attending a church Funeral is **not to exceed 30**. **ALL** attendees must be invited by the family.

Stewards. More stewards are required to meet our safety needs! If you can help please contact Fr. Nicholas ASAP.

Financial Appeal. An **Appeal** is being made to parishioners who have not returned to church (& who do not use either Collection Envelopes or a Standing Order) to assist with the financial support our churches by taking out a Standing Order. These forms can be downloaded from either of our websites. Please complete as directed & return to Fr. Nicholas.

Thank you to those parishioners who faithfully deliver their Envelopes to our Presbyteries. Your generosity is very much appreciated at this difficult time & helps to support our Parish, School & Diocesan family.

Proposed Extension to Wok Ever Restaurant, Cleckheaton. A planning application (available to view on-line under application number 2020/94117 at www.kirklees.gov.uk/planning) has been submitted by the owners of the Wok Ever Restaurant in Cleckheaton, adjacent to St. Paul's Hall & Church, for the erection of a two-story extension. As a number of their customers use the church carpark without invitation & taxi drivers use it for drop-offs & turning, it is important that objections are made to ensure that very expensive resurfacing costs are not incurred prematurely by the parish.

Holy Spirit Primary School Admissions Consultation. A consultation process is taking place in regard to the defined Catholic school catchment areas for pupils from the Cleckheaton area. Please visit the following website for further details / information: holyspiritprimary.co.uk/new-admissions-consultations-202223

Mass Intentions. These may be handed-in via either Presbytery letterbox. Mass Cards are obtainable by request.

Sick Visits. Currently Fr. Nicholas can only undertake **emergency** & **urgent** house-calls at the request of families.

Text Giving Makes it possible to contribute £5.00 to our Parish collections by simply texting CHURCH HEC to 70500 (for Holy Spirit) or texting CHURCH CLEC to 70500 (for St. Paul's). A Donate Button on our webpages allows direct giving.

Holy Spirit Catholic Primary School Governors. New Governors are being sought with skills in Education, HR or with a Legal background. For further information please speak with Mr. John Cooper (Head) 01924—400820.

Holy Spirit Catholic Primary School. Parents of children born between 01.09.2016-31.08.2017 now need to register them for a Reception Class place at Holy Spirit Primary School. The closing date for registration is 15th January 2021.

You need to apply on-line at www.kirklees.gov.uk/admissions & an additional **Governors Supplementary Admissions Form** (available from the school office) must also be completed. Further details from Holy Spirit School 01924—400820.